

REMARKS

Pursuant to the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 3 and 4 and 5 are currently pending in the application.

It is submitted that the claims as amended place the application in condition for allowance by inserting into claim 1 the element of claim 2, which the Examiner has found to be directed to patentable subject matter. As a result of this amendment Applicants respectfully submit that the basis of each of the Examiner's objections and rejections, regardless of the accuracy or merits of the objections and rejections, has been removed.

With regard to the examiner's objection to claims 2 and 3 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, applicants have canceled claim 2 in view of its element being included in claim 1 and have amended claim 3 to more clearly depend from the amended claim 1.

Claim 5 is newly presented and combines the elements of dependent claims 3 and 4. Support for this claim is found in the application including on p. 5, lines 20-25, p.10, line 29 to p 11, line 21 and in Examples 1 and 4 beginning at p 14, line 13 and p. 20, line 24, respectively.

In view of this amendment, applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration of same.

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